

### **IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Amend the specification as follows:

On Page 1, line 4, please add the following paragraph:

### **CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

This application claims priority to copending PCT Application No. PCT/US02/14202, filed May 6, 2002, entitled "Apparatus and Method for Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) Adaptive Time Domain Duplex (ATDD) Communication," which is entirely incorporated herein by reference.